

right to make a personal investigation of the explosion. Charles D. Newton, State Attorney General, is expected to-day for the same purpose.

Except for the temporary windows of muslin stretched across the yawning apertures in the Morgan Building and the scaffolding in the banking house, where workmen stood repairing damage to the glass dome, the famous little building at Broad and Wall streets gave small indication of Thursday's tragedy, the daily routine going forward as usual. Quite unsuspected by the curious throngs that passed and repassed, however, the building was under strong guard, private detectives being posted all about it.

Losses in securities due to the explosion were estimated yesterday at \$400,000, more than half of which have been recovered, however, some of them charred and bearing brownish stains which show that messengers clung to them even in death.

Experts Sift Debris for Evidence of Infernal Machine

All resources of Police Headquarters were concentrated yesterday upon the work of reconstructing the aged wagon that carried death and destruction to Wall Street Thursday.

Blacksmiths, wagon manufacturers, harnessmakers, livery stable proprietors and army ordnance men spent hours of careful study in assembling the fragments of the charred vehicle in an effort to trace its history.

These remnants rescued from the wreckage of the city's most disastrous time now loom up as the most important clue and may lead directly to the men who planned the explosion. The importance of the task was impressed upon the experts by police officials in charge of the investigation, headed by Chief Inspector William J. Lacey.

With painstaking care the experts went about their work in the same manner that scientists "restore" the contour of a prehistoric dinosaur from the few bones discovered in antediluvian soil. In this manner they succeeded in producing a complete description of the wagon, and every effort is now being made to trace the point from which it was sent on its death-dealing mission.

Description of Death Wagon

In the official report drawn up from the findings of the experts, the wagon is described as follows:

"It was a single top delivery wagon of one or one and a half tons capacity, about ten to fifteen years old, and what is known in the trade as a 'butter and egg wagon.' The running gear was painted red, and the spokes of the wheels were striped with black, and very fine white border lines.

"It had six platform springs, with from six to seven leaves to each spring. The front axle was one and five-eighths inches wide, with four feet between the wheels. The rear wheels were three feet in diameter and the rear axle was four feet two inches in diameter. They were Surver patent wheels.

"The body was fifty-six inches high and thirty-three inches wide, the shafts projecting outside the body. There was an eighteen-inch tailboard. The wheels were temporary affairs that had been installed for a single horse. The wagon was originally built with a single shaft for two horses. The shafts were narrower than the original shaft. This was shown by the fact that the socket for the shaft was three inches wide, while the shafts on the wagon at the time of the explosion were only two inches wide. The shafts were fastened on to the wagon by a six-inch bolt.

Experts' Report on Horse

The same care that was exercised in reconstructing the wagon also was bestowed upon the body of the horse that pulled the wagon to the scene of the explosion. The horse was examined by experts who gave the following description in their report:

"The horse was twenty years old, about five feet high. It was a dark bay and had been recently clipped. The two hind legs had been resoled within the twenty-four hours prior to the explosion. The marks on the new shoes indicated that the horse was a regular driver, and indicating that he had been placed on the horse by a union blacksmith. The two front hoofs bore marks that were not of union make. There was no sign of any hoof, nor brand on the horse, nor any other identifying marks.

"In view of these descriptions Chief Inspector Lacey directed his men to make a complete canvass of the city's livery stable and blacksmith shops in the hope of ascertaining the ownership of the horse. An appeal also was sent out asking whether any livery stable had hired out a horse and wagon that had not returned.

Sweepings of Street Sifted

In addition to the horse and wagon, special attention was given to the large amount of sweepings gathered up by the cleaners from the scene of the explosion. These sweepings were carefully sifted and out of them were obtained two or three battered tin cans. It was thought that these might be the containers for the explosives, but experts who examined them said they had contained either gasoline or kerosene, with the evident intention of causing a fire.

Inspector Lacey Said This Would Account for the Man who was Severely Injured

Inspector Lacey said this would account for the man who was severely injured, standing fully forty feet from the explosion. This man's clothing caught fire.

The fact that the force of the explosion was spread outward and downward, he explained by pointing out that there was a cushion of air three feet thick between the street and the floor of the wagon. He thought the wagon, around the corner, carrying the dynamite, had been carrying some other detonating mechanism to have caused the explosion, because a hundred feet without exploding.

Lacey said positively last night that no part of the timing mechanism that had caused the explosion had been found, nor anything resembling a timing device.

Stenographer Describes Wagon

Mix Epstein suffered shock from the explosion. According to her story, she was returning from lunch and was standing on Wall Street.

"I noticed a red light sort of wagon with a red flag on the back of it," she said, "turning the corner of Nassau street into Wall Street. It came east on Wall Street and stopped in front of the Morgan office, opposite the A. S. Way Building. It was drawn by a medium brown horse, and the truck had racks on either side. My recollection is that the horse was either reared or backed on the truck, which seemed to have some plaster or a white powder substance splattered on the side of the wagon. There was a lot of dust in the air, and I was presently to keep the contents in place.

"The driver looked to me like an ordinary laboring man of about thirty-

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Slugs That Made Huge Bomb Deadly



Sections of window weights picked up on Wall Street and which disproved the accident theory. The pieces are 2½ and 3 inches in diameter.

The Dead Died Yesterday

BISHOP MARGARET, 1040 Park Avenue, Brooklyn, in Volunteer Hospital. DONAHUE, JOHN, thirty-eight years old, of 1034 East Fourteenth Street, Brooklyn, in Bellevue Hospital. He was an accountant in the export department of J. P. Morgan & Co.

WHITE, W. W., fifty-five years old, a printer, of 4 Parkside Court, Brooklyn, in St. Vincent's Hospital.

WEIR, JOHN W., of 450 West Fifty-seventh Street, in Broad Street Hospital.

Identified Yesterday

GILLIES, HAROLD L., twenty-seven years old, of 54 Storer Avenue, Pelham, N. Y.

LEIGH, ALEXANDER, of 537 West Fifty-sixth Street.

TANNEKWARD, IRVING, thirty-seven years old, of 650 East 182d Street. The others killed in the explosion.

Joseph Arrambarry, 128 Sherman Avenue, Caroline Dickinson, 73 Hanover Street, Elmhurst, L. I.; Margaret A. Drury, 132 Ridgewood Avenue, Brooklyn; Reginald Elworthy, 64 Liberty Street, West Orange, N. J. (identification not wholly satisfactory yet); Wade Bagley Elworthy, 1248 Gerard Avenue, Washington, D. C.; Bartholomew Plummer, 310 West 145th Street, Charles Hanahan, 543 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn; William F. Hutchinson, Garden City, L. I.; John Johnson, 60 West Eighty-fourth Street; William Joyce, 1805 Ditmars Avenue, Brooklyn; Bernard J. Kennedy, 443 Tenth Street Brooklyn; Charles A. Linderth, 133 Bennett Street, Great Kills, S. I.; Alfred Mayer, 511 West 138th Street; Colin Barr McGuire, 18 Arthur Street, Yonkers; Jerome H. McKee, 1407 Nelson Avenue, the Bronx; Franklin Miller, 700 West 174th Street; Colonel Charles A. Neville, U. S. A., Savannah, Ga.; Thomas M. Osprey, 136 Chester Avenue, Brooklyn; Rudolph Portong, 26 McAuley Avenue, Jamaica, L. I.; Joseph Schmidt, Bayside, L. I.; Lewis K. Smith, 133 Greenwich Street, Hempstead, L. I.; E. A. Sweet, Huntington, L. I.; Benjamin Soloway, 1520 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn; Robert Westbay, 232 West Twenty-fourth Street; Mildred Nylander, 45 Commerce Street.

City Reward Of \$10,500 in Bomb Mystery

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tossed over on its side and caught fire. An examination disclosed that the side panel of the wagon had been blown inward and pierced by some objects which had been hurled by the explosion.

"Pieces of iron averaging in length from two to six inches and about two inches in diameter, commonly used as window sash weights in dwelling houses, and other pieces of lighter property, some of which had been fused by an intense heat, were found in the street close to the point of the explosion and also within the offices of Morgan & Co.

"The exterior stone work of both buildings showed that they had been peppered by the heavy flying fragments or showered with shrapnel similar to that already described.

"A piece of iron sash weight pierced a portion of the lower sash in one of the windows of the office of J. P. Morgan & Co.

"There are no sash weights of this type missing from any of the windows in this vicinity.

"Portions of the wagon showed that it had been running gear and that is all that was discernible from the fragments of the wagon.

"There were no markings on the harness other than to show it was for one horse.

"While it was first reported that the wagon in which the explosion occurred belonged to one of the companies supplying explosives for blasting purposes in this city, inquiry revealed that no explosives were delivered yesterday to any of the four places in the downtown district of Manhattan where blasting is being done.

Delivery of Explosives

"There are but two concerns licensed by the Fire Department to transport explosives through the streets of the city of New York. They are:

"E. I. du Pont de Nemours, of 120 Broadway, and Carl H. Dittmar, of 102 West 130th Street, 54 4th Ave. Moore & Schley, 100 Broadway, 100 shares of Caddo Oil, and \$4,000 in dividend scrip of the Tobacco Products Corporation.

"Wells & Co., of 35 Broadway, reported missing 10,000 marks of the 4 per cent bonds of the German municipality of Cologne.

Five Warnings Of Explosion Received Here

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but given to fits of irrationality, at which times he seems to have little responsibility for his actions. This is substantially the description provided by the man's family and others with whom he has been more or less intimately associated.

Letter Dated the "13th"

The warning to Captain Arnould, after being torn to bits and cast into the waste paper basket when it was received Wednesday morning, was pieced together and given to the police immediately after the explosion. It was in the form of a letter, also dated at Toronto, September 13. Pieces are still missing, but the recovered bits of the letter read:

"Dear Mr. Arnould:

"Greetings.

"I think I am doing good work in making the people know France and in planting in them a strong blessing the desire in them to see France get her square desert.

"There is a rumor that something is going to happen after 2:30 p. m. around 3 to 4 p. m. Daylight-saving in the Wall Street district. I'll advise the mission close at 3 p. m. on that day and everybody go home. It may be all bull, but the world is a great place . . . know and millions fell then . . . have a just grievance so I think.

"The Mission ought to play safety first. I hope you feel what I am doing is of value to France and if it pleases, write me at once to Hotel Pontchartrain, Detroit, Mich., where I will be some time Thursday. I think somebody is in . . . clean in the world of . . . fail to wash their hands. Want me to . . . St. Paul and that war . . . anywhere else for France . . . No expense.

"Good Luck. "ED. FISCHER."

At the top of the massive it said Fischer's address might be obtained at any time from his home, 33 West Ninety-second Street, where he lived with his father, brother and sister.

One Warned in Person

Fischer's associates at the commission, where he was employed as an accountant for some weeks prior to his departure for Canada, say he is unquestionably an eccentric, but they believe his admonition to have been prompted by a sincere regard for their welfare.

His position there was not an important one. He left voluntarily, saying he had "just been called by President Wilson" and was on his way to Washington to see him.

The warning to Mr. O'Neil was the only one, so far as is known, offered to a man with whom the eccentric had no previous acquaintance. Mr. O'Neil lives at 30 Elm Place, Nutley, N. J.

"About nine days ago," he said yesterday, "I was coming to the city on a train which reached the terminal at 8:32. At Manhattan Transfer a man, an American, came to me and said he was Fischer and was on his way to Washington to see him.

Fischer's fifth warning, that given Mr. Delahanty, a friend of Fischer's, standing with whom Fischer had become intimate because of his enthusiasm for tennis, was also delivered verbally.

"He came to me one morning some days ago," Mr. Delahanty narrated yesterday, and said, "Tom, I want to tell you a secret. We are going to blow up Wall Street on the 15th. We've got them where we want them and we're going to get England, too.

"Fischer told me he was warning me because he was an old friend of mine and didn't want me to get hurt. He urged me especially to keep away from Wall Street and was very insistent. I mentioned the conversation to some of the club members here, but they all regarded it lightly. I think Fischer was not right in the head."

Former Tennis Champion

Fischer was well known to members of the club, as he was also to tennis enthusiasts throughout this section. He was at one time a brilliant player and about fifteen years ago was Metropolitan champion and national indoor champion. He attended the tournament at Forest Hills, leaving about ten days ago. He told friends at the time he was going to Montreal for the tournament there.

H. H. Hackett, who with Fischer held the city doubles championship in 1902, said he knew nothing of his erstwhile partner's recent movements. In the days of their association, however, Mr. Hackett was positive he had never heard Fischer make remarks of a revolutionary character.

The following statement concerning his association with the French High Commission was issued there yesterday:

"Edward Fischer joined the staff of the French High Commission in New York on September 30, 1918. He was employed in the transportation department and was an excellent worker, never giving ground for complaint, and a good mixer. He was on friendly terms with all his colleagues.

"Fischer left the French mission on August 2, 1920, for his vacation, but did not return. After a month's absence he was automatically discharged. Since September 1, 1920, he has had no connection with the French High Commission, either in New York or elsewhere.

"For a short time before Fischer left

Man Who Predicted Bomb Tragedy



Edward P. Fischer, now in Canada, who warned the French Commission and others of explosion in Wall Street.

his colleagues noticed in him signs of mental derangement.

"Fischer was forty-two years old when he joined the French mission. He was a man of athletic build, weighing about 200 pounds."

Sister Admits Fischer Denounced Wall Street

Says His Mind Is Unbalanced and That He Could Not Have Known of Explosion Plot

Edward Fischer, whose knowledge or premonition of Thursday's explosion in the financial district has become one of the most remarkable phases of the investigation, lived with his father, P. A. Fischer, a sister Maud and a brother Robert, at 33 West Ninety-second Street. Another sister is the wife of Robert Pope, landscape gardener, who followed Fischer to Canada and caused his arrest yesterday.

Members of the family declare Fischer to have been of unbalanced mind for a long time, and say several efforts have been made to have him committed to an institution.

Miss Fischer, a public school teacher, said last night, "My brother started for Toronto last Friday under the impression that he was still employed by the French High Commission. Early this week we received several urgent requests from him for money, and my brother-in-law, Mr. Pope, went to bring him back.

Edward was once a brilliant tennis player and his present unbalanced condition is chiefly due to a stroke suffered while playing at Seabright several years ago. He is a graduate of the University of the City of New York, and for a short time practiced law. For years he has worked but little and has been to a large extent supported by the family.

"Edward has been a contributing influence to his present state, and it is noticeable that his peculiar tendencies become most marked after he has been drinking. During the recent tennis tournament at Forest Hills he got some liquor and became so disorderly that I had to request that he be asked by the management to stay away.

"When suffering from hallucinations he would frequently talk of symptoms for the common people. He held that something should be done to Wall Street, but I am sure he meant rather that it should be restrained by law than that it should be subjected to violence. We knew he was not right and have made several efforts to have him committed to Bellevue.

Wall Street is only one of the manifestations of his irrational periods. At times he tells people he is the greatest tennis player in the world. Recently he has talked of interesting himself in the welfare of working girls in Yonkers.

Never Associated Violence

"I am positive my brother could have no prior knowledge of the terrible explosion of Thursday. He has never been in any way identified with radicals or advocates of violence. On the other hand, his associates have always been from the ultra conservative walks of life. He spent much of his time in the financial district and most of his acquaintances have businesses there. He is forty-seven years old, recently he has married, and last Wednesday my brother Robert received a telegram from Edward asking for money. We tried to reach him at the Montreal Club, Toronto, but he could not be located there. I am sure, however, he has been in Canada all the time since he left here a week ago."

ing are in a serious condition. It is probable that more deaths will be caused by shock, and two further fatalities are likely from burns and one from a possibly fractured skull.

Of the 173 persons attended at the Broad Street Hospital all but twenty-six had been sent home or transferred to private institutions last night; only fourteen remained in the hospital. The few other cases were scattered between New York Hospital, Bellevue and the Presbyterian Hospital.

Palmer Puts Entire Force On Red Hunt

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to New York, Philadelphia and elsewhere.

Orders were issued to-day to all 12 metropolitan and Federal government police to investigate all persons who are suspected of being connected with any radical organization.

Guards have been increased at all government buildings, especially at the Treasury, where the force of trained watchmen was materially strengthened. Heads of other government departments issued instructions for watchmen at the public buildings to keep an extra close watch for suspicious characters.

Waiter Is Questioned

Chief Ahern of the Treasury Department's secret service to-day questioned a waiter at one of the leading hotels and later asked United States District Attorney Lacey if the man could not be held for certain statements he is alleged to have made.

Mr. Lacey declined to issue a warrant for the man's arrest, after investigation established the fact that the waiter was not naturalized, but suggested that deportation proceedings be brought against him. The waiter is said to have declared that he was surprised at the New York explosion and that some day the same thing might happen at the United States Treasury here.

Du Ponts Admit Auto Was Near Scene of Explosion

Vehicle of Powder Company at Vesey Street at 11:19 Didn't Carry Explosives

An official of E. I. du Pont de Nemours, 120 Broadway, said yesterday that it was true one of the company's wagons was at Vesey Street and Broadway, seven blocks from the Morgan building, eleven minutes before the explosion. It was asserted, however, that the vehicle was a motor truck with a trailer and that it did not carry explosives.

Admittance had been given the police by Gilbert C. Smith and Joseph Farlong, of 217 Broadway, that a du Pont wagon had been seen at that place. The affidavits given Chief Inspector William Lacey read:

"At about 11:19 o'clock we were standing at the corner of Vesey Street and Broadway when a large red motor truck with a red trailer and bearing in large letters 'du Pont Powder Works' crossed Broadway at Vesey Street and passed into Ann Street to Nassau. We both remember that the trailer had five horse-hoofs on it which we presumed contained powder."

At the du Pont office it was said the truck and trailer are now in New Jersey. Asked what was in the containers referred to by the witnesses, the official said: "If one of the containers were kerosene and contained paint pigment. We have investigated and located the truck." The company does not use horses.

The body of young Westbay was identified later, however, at the morgue, and the other body was returned to the mortuary.

This body is that of a young man, about twenty-two years old, and the only one of the victims that had not been identified last night. He was about five feet nine inches and weighed about 140 pounds. He had a fair complexion and a shock of brown hair. The first funeral of a victim was held yesterday afternoon. It was that of Benjamin Soloway, sixteen years old, a broker's messenger. The body was interred in Mount Hebron Cemetery, Flushing, L. I.

Michael Rickard, superintendent of the Morgue, and his three assistants went without sleep Thursday night and were at their posts until last night. Telegrams from all parts of the country were received by the police yesterday inquiring as to the safety of friends and relatives who are known to be in New York.

Only fifty-three of the injured in the explosion remained in public wards last night. It was announced that all of the others had been sent to their homes or transferred, in some cases, to private institutions, at the request of their families.

Five or more of the injured remained in New York.

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